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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application Number	09/038,230
Filing Date	March 11, 1998
First Named Inventor	Tsuguo Koyanagi
Art Unit	1712
Examiner Name	Daniel S. Metzmaier
Attorney Docket Number	1217-980347

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:279 370.00 OP
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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Attorney's Docket No. 1217-980347**RCE TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

BOX RCE

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Washington, D.C. 20231COPY OF PAPERS  
ORIGINALLY FILEDSerial No.: 09/038,230Filing Date: March 11, 1998Examiner: Daniel S. MetzmaierGroup Art Unit: 1712Invention: "Inorganic Compound Sol Modified by Organic Compound"

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ No additional fee is required.

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